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Teacher's Guide



Occupations at Hopewell During the 1830s

(listed below in no particular order)

The teacher should become acquainted with these 19th century Hopewell occupations so that the students can be better prepared for their Hopewell Furnace experience.

Generally Women

- cooking for workers
- spinning / selling yarn
- mending / sewing for others
- candle / soap making
- public school teaching
- private tutoring
- grow / sell food stuffs
- maid activities
- housekeeping
- various farm tasks
- cleaning casts
- farm operators
- casting wholesalers
- white-washing / painting
- occasional mining
- occasional wood cutting
- investors
- weavers / sell products
- occasional charcoal making

Generally Men

- woodcutter
- collier
- moulder
- founder
- filler
- gutterman
- farm worker
- ironmaster
- keeper
- clerk
- gardener
- houseworker
- box maker
- miner
- moulder's helper
- pattern-maker
- minister
- blacksmith
- teamster
- wheelwright
- quarryman
- tutor / teacher
- mason